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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) Group Art Unit: 3652  
Raymon F. Thompson et al ) Examiner: Keenan, J.  
Serial No.: 09/575,551 )  
Filed: 5/22/00 )  
For: SEMICONDUCTOR PROCESSING )  
SYSTEM WITH WAFER )  
CONTAINER DOCKING AND )  
LOADING STATIONS )

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE  
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner  
mailed May 11, 2001 finally rejecting claims 56, 57, 62, 74 and 65.

The items checked below are appropriate:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING  
(37 C.F.R. §1.8a)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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**1. STATUS OF APPLICANT**

This application is on behalf of

- ☒ other than a small entity  
☐ small entity - Verified Statement  
☐ attached ☐ filed on .

**2. FEE FOR FILING NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(e), the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is:

- ☒ other than a small entity \$310.00  
☐ small entity \$155.00

**Notice of Appeal Fee Due: \$310.00**

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**3. EXTENSION OF TIME**

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply.

- ☐ Applicant(s) petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 [fees: 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1)-(5)] for the total number of months checked below:

	EXTENSION (months)	FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY	FEE FOR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
<input type="checkbox"/>	one month	\$55.00	\$110.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	two months	\$195.00	\$390.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	three months	\$445.00	\$890.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	four months	\$680.00	\$1,390.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	five months	\$945.00	\$1,890.00
		<b>Fee</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

- ☐ An extension has already been secured and the fee paid therefor. Thus it is submitted that no further extension is required. If any extension is required, this is a request therefore.

4. **TOTAL FEES DUE**

The total fee due is:

Notice of Appeal fee	\$ 310.00
Extension fee (if any)	\$ 0.00
Claims fee (if any)	\$ 0.00

**TOTAL FEE DUE:** **\$ 310.00**

5. **FEE PAYMENT**

- ☒ Attached is a check in the sum of \$ 310.00.
- ☐ Charge Deposit Account No. 12-2475 the sum of \$.

6. **FEE DEFICIENCY**

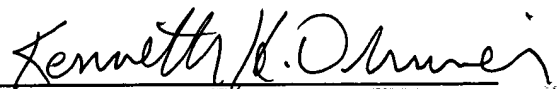
- ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge Lyon & Lyon's Deposit Account No. 12-2475 for any fees required that are not covered, in whole or in part, by a check enclosed herewith and to credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account 12-2475.

Respectfully submitted,

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